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## Reviving the Rockcliffe

by CHAD INGRAM  
Editor

The world-famous Rockcliffe is set to make a return, in a new incarnation.

"The idea is to build a new building that will be in the spirit of the old building," says Mark Dracup, part of the ownership group of the legendary and dilapidated property near the intersection of Bobcaygeon Road and Newcastle Street in Minden's downtown. Dracup and wife Lise, along with couple Dan Gosselin and Kirsty Goodearle are the new owners, the couples meeting on East Moore Lake, where Dracup has been a lifelong cottager.

First things first – the existing building, shuttered and vacant for years and long past the point being salvageable, will be torn down. In its place, a new bar, restaurant and hotel will be constructed, to be called The Rockcliffe.

"We'll be delivering good food, higher quality food, for sure, but also bringing back more entertainment to the community, as well as making hotel rooms available for those who want to stay," Dracup says.

Initial drawings are for a multi-storey building with ground level and second-storey patios offering views of Minden's main drag. There are plans for an outdoor cooking area

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The new owners of the Rockcliffe Dan Gosselin, left, Kirsty Goodearle, and Mark and Lise Dracup are looking to give the legendary property a new start. Follow the Rockcliffe on Instagram @therockcliffeminden /DARREN LUM Staff

## Officers cleared in SIU investigation

by CHAD INGRAM  
Editor

Two Haliburton Highlands OPP officers who discharged firearms resulting in the fa-

tal shooting of a man last summer have been cleared in an investigation by the Ontario Special Investigations Unit.

On the morning of July 15, 2020, a man went to enter the Minden Valu-Mart and when it was requested he wear a face mask to

enter, assaulted an employee before using his vehicle to ram vehicles in the store's parking lot, and speeding away. Police used the licence plate on his vehicle to track him to his residence near Drag Lake. At the residence,

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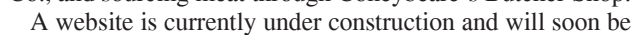


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The Ontario Special Investigations Unit is a civilian oversight body that investigates cases of serious injury, death or allegations of assault involving police officers.





Owner Kirsty Goodearle speaks on the phone while taking a break from rummaging through remnants at the Rockcliffe. Someone had left items, including full glasses and a framed photo, on one of the tables. / DARREN LUM Staff



A raised platform is empty except for a chair and a fan in front of the disc jockey booth inside the abandoned Rockcliffe Tavern.



The Rockcliffe interior is in poor shape, as seen with this broken mirror, located near the bar.



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The schedule of upcoming meetings are:  
**July 29 – Regular Council Meeting**  
**August 26 – Regular Council Meeting**

Please note Council Meetings are reduced to one (1) meeting a month in July, August and December.

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### THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

#### Minden Pride Trivia Night

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Sheila McNamee, left, and Jenn Currie are the owners of Top Shelf on Gull.  
/CHAD INGRAM Staff

# Reach for Top Shelf on Gull

by **CHAD INGRAM**  
Editor

A new business operated by two Gull Lake friends is designed to make getting to the cottage a little less hectic.

Jenn Currie and Sheila McNamee are decades-long seasonal residents with deep ties to the community and recent retirees who've started Top Shelf on Gull, a cottage concierge service.

"We shop and stock your fridge, pantry and bar," Currie explains.

"It was sort of a pandemic thing," Currie says of the decision to start the business. Being recently retired means the pair has more time on their hands, and after years of carting their own families to the cottage,

know how stressful those trips can sometimes be. "We've been there," Currie says.

"We shop all locally," says McNamee. The pair use locally owned businesses such as Molly's Bistro Bakery to Coneybeare's Butcher Shop to Up River Trading Co. McNamee adds that a cottage concierge service is very much a thing in the Muskokas and the City of Kawartha Lakes, and the friends are now offering that same luxury service in Haliburton County. In addition to Gull Lake, they are willing to take clients from surrounding lakes as well.

Additionally, Top Shelf on Gull provides party planning, private chef services, cooking classes and other services.

For more information about Top Shelf on Gull, visit [topshelfongull.ca](http://topshelfongull.ca) or email [topshelfongull@gmail.com](mailto:topshelfongull@gmail.com)

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by JENN & SHEILA

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# Haliburton housing market starts to cool

by **MIKE BAKER**  
Times Staff

Following more than 12 months of feverish, non-stop activity, Haliburton County's housing market is showing signs of slowing down according to numerous real estate agents in the area.

It has been a banner year for real estate here in the Highlands thus far in 2021, with both full-time residential and seasonal property prices spiking to record highs.

With the COVID-19 pandemic stretching on, many have looked to Haliburton County as a getaway destination of sorts, investing considerable sums to make this area their home away from home.

And while prices have gone up – around 30 per cent over the past year according to Brandon Nimigon, owner and broker of record of Century 21 in Haliburton – buyer interest seems to be subsiding somewhat as we head into the latter months of summer.

“Quite a few of my agents have said it's been slowing down now for the past couple of weeks. We're getting to the point now where we're having one showing over a weekend, versus being fully booked,” Nimigon told the Echo. “Some of that, I think, has to do with the long weekends. People are enjoying themselves, versus coming up here to look at real estate, so that's definitely making a difference.”

Nimigon believes many of the people who were desperate to get into the market and buy a home or cottage they could spend the summer in were the ones driving things a few months ago. Now that the “frenzy” is over, and with summer part way gone, the market has gone into a cooling period, something he says isn't out of the ordinary.

Jeff Strano, an agent with RE/MAX Haliburton, held a similar opinion, saying the panic that was brought on by increased demand over the spring has certainly died down.

“Demand is still strong, but it's certainly nowhere near

what it was over the first three or four months of the year,” Strano said. “In the spring, if you had a vacant one-acre lot for sale, you could have got, say \$120,000 for it. Now they're just sitting there. They're not selling at all. The market is kind of returning to normal. It's the same residentially too – the odd residential property will sell over the asking price, but it's more the exception than the rule at this point.”

Strano said he and his team have been noticeably less busy since the week before the Victoria Day long weekend in May.

When comparing statistics pulled from the Lakelands Association of Realtors, it may be difficult to identify where or what this slowdown is that agents are talking about. For the first quarter of the year – Jan. 1 to April 30 – there were 115 waterfront properties sold in Haliburton County, for a median sale price of \$801,000. As of Friday, July 23, statistics for the second quarter – running from May 1 to July 31 – showed there had been 166 sales, for a median sale price of \$835,000.

Residentially, during the first quarter of the year, there were 72 units sold, for a median price of \$462,750. Over the second quarter, that increased to 81 sales, for a median price of \$424,900.

“That just speaks to the inventory levels,” Strano informed the Echo. “There has been a little more inventory on the market, but noticeably less buyers. Whereas before, back in the spring, it was normal to get 15, 16 offers on a single property, today we're maybe seeing one or two... The number of showings, instead of getting between 30 and 50 people through a property, we're now seeing six to 10.”

“It was bound to happen sooner or later. It's sort of coincided with a usual lull we see in the summer, but there was no way things could continue the way they were going,” Strano added.

Anthony Van Lieshout, broker of record with Royal LePage Lakes of Haliburton believes the hyper competitive market that was present for much of 2020 and the early parts of 2021 has discouraged people from buying.

“My sense is that the consumer is becoming more and more

frustrated with the multiple offers situation. A lot of time and energy goes into finding a property, and if purchases keep falling apart, it becomes frustrating for buyers,” he said.

Nimigon says potential buyers shouldn't expect this downward trend to continue forever, and in fact he predicts things will get busy again in the Highlands come fall.

“Things are going to kick right back up again when we move into September and October, people looking to sell before winter, so there may be some opportunities,” Nimigon said. “I think the market is going to remain strong. It's pretty typical to see a bit of a slowdown during this time. Last year was obviously an anomaly... But looking forward, I think prices will kind of maintain where they are. I don't think we're going to see a big jump in them.”

One of the unfortunate side effects to come out of this COVID-19 market, Strano says, is the impact it has had on first-time buyers, many of whom now find themselves totally priced out of owning a home in our community.

“I feel bad for first-time buyers. We just sold a place on Gelert Road. It was listed at \$249,000, and it sold for \$300,000 to a first-time homebuyer... It's basically a cottage on piers, with plywood skirting, so she's going to have to winterize it and do a ton of work,” Strano said. “When you look at the things [the federal] government has implemented to try to cool the market, with interest rates and stress tests, it hasn't hurt anyone except for first-time homebuyers.”

“For somebody making \$20 an hour, or even \$30 an hour up here now, even if you're dual income, you're going to be right on the edge for buying a property today,” Strano added.

A market crash aside, something local agents strongly debunk, there's only one real solution to the problem, Strano believes.

“If people aren't happy with what's happening in the real estate market, they need to look to their local and federal governments and lobby them to make the necessary changes to open up more inventory and make it easier to create more property, because we have no shortage of vacant land here in Haliburton County,” he concluded.



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## It's not goodbye

“ALL GOOD things must come to an end sometime, so don't burn the day.”

That's a line by Dave Matthews, a favourite musician of mine.

This will be my final column for the *Minden Times*, something that is strange to write and to think about. I've been at this for nearly 13 years. That's roughly 650 editorials, and thousands upon thousands of news stories. While we are all so much more than our jobs, our vocations can often become part of our identity, and in my case, I've been the guy from the *Minden Times* for exactly one third of my life.

After many years of covering the municipal governments of Haliburton County, I'm going to try my hand at working for one. I've accepted a communications contract with the Township of Algonquin Highlands, which will commence in early August.

The brilliant and beloved Sue Tiffin will become the new editor of the *Times* when she returns from a summer leave.

When a former Minden Hills fire chief resigned a few years ago, I wrote that change is life's only constant, and that it is sometimes necessary for growth. I wrote that we all innately know what is right for ourselves, and for our families.

Those things are now true for myself. It's time for me to make a change. It's time for me to leave this chair.

It hasn't been an easy decision, and one weighted with emotion. I'll miss the job. I'll miss the venues I've haunted for so long. I'll miss the buzz of covering election nights.

My time at the paper is a flood of memories, including memories of floods. The flood of 2013 in particular stands out. I remember walking Water

Street every morning, taking photos and wondering if the Gull River was going to overtake the Sunnybrook Bridge. I remember the fear, unease and anxiety in town. I also remember the community binding quickly together, volunteers filling sandbags endlessly, neighbours taking food to neighbours, and county residents raising hundreds of thousands of dollars to access provincial funding, as was required at the time. It was the ultimate display of the strength and resilience of this community, which is the reason I love it so much.

**CHAD INGRAM**  
Editor

In a world rife with the proliferation of misinformation, sources of researched, verified fact are more and more important. Local newspapers are uniquely positioned to tell the stories of their communities, giving people information critical to their day-to-

day lives. Cherish them. Support them. When they disappear, they seldom return.

Producing local newspapers is a huge undertaking, bigger than most probably realize, and I want to acknowledge and thank my incredible coworkers at the *Times* and *Echo*, who do a ton of work to keep Haliburton County residents informed every week.

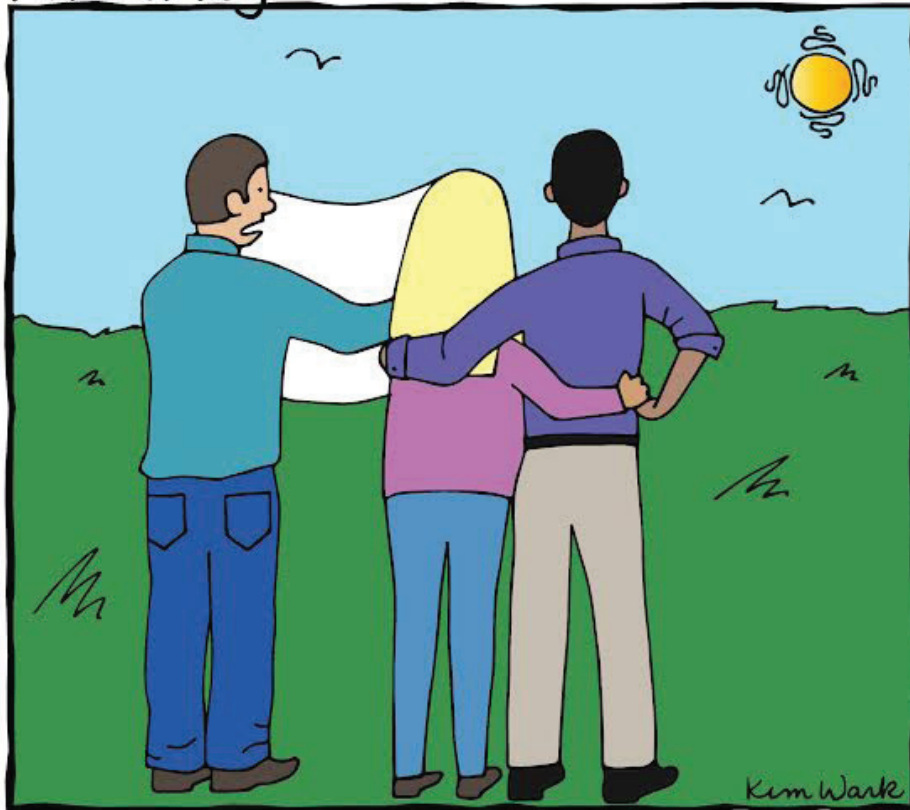
There's a saying that journalism is the first draft of history, and it's been my honour and privilege to write the first draft of the history of this place for so long.

Over the years, I've met hundreds and hundreds of you, many of whom have become acquaintances, and some friends.

Thank you for welcoming me into your homes, businesses and cottages as I've strived to tell the stories of this community as best I could.

Most of all, thank you for reading.

## Kwarky



“You'll have to imagine the house and the blueprints, which I haven't started.”

## Finding my hobby

NOT TO BRAG, but I happen to be one of those lucky people who has his own dedicated fly-tying bench in the basement recroom. Or at least I think I still do.

You see, like many dedicated fly tiers, I haven't actually seen the surface – or, frankly, any part – of my fly-tying bench coming up on at least two years now.

I suppose it is still there. After all, something must be supporting that massive pile of fur, hooks, fly tying tools, vises, thread, chenille, tinsel, wool and feathers. And, if I remember correctly, that pile is in the exact same spot where I left my bench. So the odds are good.

Also, when I tie flies on that mess, which I still do, it seems pretty stable underneath – although, admittedly, you'd be wise not to make any loud noises in the vicinity, as avalanches are still a distinct possibility. I'm not saying that pile is large, but I will say if I found Amelia Earhart in it, no one would be too surprised.

I only mention this because I am probably going on an expedition this afternoon. The goal will be to discover my long-lost fly-tying bench. And, if I don't make it back, I'd like somebody to know where I was last spotted.

I will probably start at the east end where the bucktails are. I will take a GPS along so that by the time I have travelled a few steps west and get to the tinsels I will have a plotted route out, just in case things get hairier.

And since it is a fly-tying bench, it can only get hairier. In due time I will run into moose, black bear, polar bear, caribou, white-tailed and mule deer hair, hare

and rabbit hair, as well as some muskrat, beaver, mole, squirrel, wolf, racoon and groundhog hair. And all these things will be put away in a box I have that is now empty but labelled animal hair.

After doing excavating a few layers, I might be able to examine the fossil record and find a fly-fishing magazine from 2019. This will tell me I am getting close.

Then I will probably have to dig only a bit further past the pheasant skins, grouse and duck feathers and turkey wing and tail feathers and hopefully then, if the bench is still there, I will catch a glimpse of it. This will be a historic event.

By this time, I will be losing daylight and will likely have to make base camp in this desolate wilderness. I'm hoping that I can ascend the pile of old fly boxes by day two, and summit to the top of the marabou and peacock herl packages by the end of day three.

Once I do that, it's just a matter of picking things up and sorting them into an assortment of boxes on the way out.

Eventually, should I not face any insurmountable disasters, I will have a clear and clean fly bench once again. This will allow me to find my materials better and to work more efficiently – and hide in the basement in times of trouble, such as when the lawn needs mowing.

I suppose this is the problem with people who get too immersed in a hobby. Things, eventually get out of control and the pastime starts to consume too much of your life. It's enough to drive a person to have a drink or two.

But, frankly, I'd rather clean the bench, put a hook in the vise, and tie one on.

**STEVE GALEA**  
Beyond 35



# IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

## Accept sacrifices; save the future

**M**OTHER NATURE is no longer simply disappointed in us; she is blazing angry. Her anger is evident throughout the world this month. Killer mudslides in Japan. Parts of Germany devastated by unprecedented flooding. Ditto India.

People in China were photographed up to their necks in a flooded subway. Tornadoes ripped through the U.S. and parts of Ontario.

And, of course, many of us have been inhaling smoke from massive wildfires out west. Smoke that has stretched from British Columbia to Halifax, with some research suggesting that breathing it can reduce immunity and increase the chances of contracting COVID-19.



**JIM POLING SR.**

*From Shaman's Rock*

Those of you who still believe that global warming and destructive climate change are fake news can stop reading here and go back to your social media gossip and computer games.

Politicians and their governments are getting worried and talking longer and louder about stopping climate change. But it is too late. It is already here.

Nature takes its time and it will take decades or maybe centuries to reverse damage already started.

Those millions of tons of Arctic ice that have melted are not coming back soon. All that can be done now is to stop the damage from worsening.

Stopping it from getting worse is too important and too big a job to leave to the politicians, most of whom nowadays are talkers, not thinkers and doers. We individuals have to think through how we can change our lives in practical ways to alleviate climate change.

That will require us to give up some things we are not willing, or simply unable, to give up. Fighting the advance of climate change is a daunting task that demands sacrifices from us all. It's questionable whether enough of us are willing to make those sacrifices.

I think about this as I look out at the patch of lawn at my lake place. It was designed and planted mainly as a covering for the septic field. It looks pretty when trimmed but I have been questioning why I should maintain and groom it.

This year I decided not to cut it; simply let it grow naturally. One reason was to let it build itself up for the annual summer influx of very active granddogs.

As it grew taller and more unkempt, I began to see its natural beauty. The green clover produced small, white blossoms that attracted bumblebees, a declining species once considered one of our world's most important pollinators.

Patches of chickweed, an antioxidant-rich plant used as herbal medicine, sprouted beautifully delicate tiny white flowers. A couple of clumps of wild daisies with white heads and golden faces also appeared, adding an aura of innocence to my out-of-control landscape.

Passersby looked at my jungle-like yard with dismay and concern about my mental health.

Lawns are seen as an important indicator of socio-economic character. A well-groomed lawn tells others that you are a good fit for the neighbourhood. Someone with the time, money and good sense to support an eye-pleasing attraction. An ungroomed yard says you are not.

But seeing manicured lawns as natural and important pieces of our environment is a myth. They are not natural. Their only purpose is to be decorative.

Lawns were invented by the wealthy English and French aristocracy for their self-conceit. Settlers brought the idea of manicured spaces to America, where lawns became an obsessive sign of prosperity.

Canadians also have the lawn obsession. The country has seven million plus detached homes, most with manicured lawns, plus tens of thousands of row housing and apartment buildings with patches of lawn.

Maintaining lawns consumes huge amounts of gas, oil, electricity or compounds needed to make batteries. Lawn maintenance also wastes millions of gallons of water that could be used for other things.

After three months I succumbed to the smirks and whispers of the passersby and cut my jungle lawn. The majority likes manicured lawns and many other nice things that must be given up to stop damaging climate change.

I'm sorry now that I succumbed to the majority. Beating back global warming is going to mean sacrificing things that we like. We have to start accepting that because Mother Nature is demanding it.

### letters to the editor

## Continuing cannabis concerns

**To the Editor,**

Well, I did I get a response from Neil Campbell. It's good to have some back and forth banter and express our feelings.

My main concern with a cannabis store is it being within walking distance from the public school. Underage students can't get it, but someone can buy it for them. Also, we already have one store at the intersection of Highway 35 and County Road 21. Do we need two?

I remember Minden years back and what occurred Saturday nights, but we always felt safe. Even the town drunks were harmless. With cannabis or any street drugs, I'm not so sure.

Many will think I don't know enough about this subject, which is probably true. Just voicing my opinion. I rest my case. Enough said for me.

**Janice Carr  
Minden**



### End of an era

Minden Times editor and longtime Echo and Times journalist Chad Ingram is calling it a career after 13 years, leaving to work in communications. One of his last stories involved interviewing the new owners of the Rockcliff. /DARREN LUM Staff

## HCPL's DVD of the Month - July



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**A big bottle drive**


One of four owners of the Rockcliffe Dan Gosselin, left, and Minden Community Food Centre board member Bob Taylor move cases of empty beer and alcohol bottles, as part of a donation made by the tavern to benefit the local food bank in Minden on Thursday, July 22. There were 45 cases of empties collected, which translated to \$104 for the food bank./DARREN LUM Staff



One of four owners of the Rockcliffe Lise Dracup moves a case of empty alcohol bottles.


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# Natural shorelines provide many benefits for our fish

Canada has more freshwater lakes than any other country in the world and Haliburton has 600 of them! Haliburton is also home to a disproportionate share of the world's cold water trout lakes and trout species. Of Haliburton Highlands' 600 lakes, 105 of these are considered "trout lakes."

Alarming, 48 per cent of these lakes are now considered to have oxygen levels too low to support existing populations of trout. Trout are often considered to be the canaries of the coal mine when it comes to fresh-water quality. Trout populations are adversely affected by invasive species and climate change. The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forests compiles a list of trout lakes that have less than the required level of oxygen to support a sustainable trout population. These lakes are called "At Capacity Lakes" and the province requires all municipalities to freeze the creation of new waterfront lots on these lakes. The reason for this is the scientifically recognized relationship between shoreline development and declining oxygen levels in the water.

Over two decades ago, Canadian scientists reported evidence of the "invisible collapse" of high-profile rainbow trout, walleye, and lake trout recreational fisheries. When fish populations decline, overharvesting is often assumed to be the culprit but, in freshwater systems, other factors combine in nefarious ways:

Invasive species alter the food supply and compete with native fish. Pollution stems from an array of chemicals, as well as light and noise. The fragmentation of watercourses by dams, and the alteration and degradation of habitats all contribute to this decline.

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Simply put, one of the best ways we can protect water quality and fish habitat in our lakes is to protect trees and other vegetation along natural shorelines.

Susan Hay  
Environment Haliburton

## Still time to register for Highland Yard

by DARREN LUM  
Times Staff

It's not too late to register for this year's virtual edition of the fundraising run the Highland Yard.

Event organizers are calling it a virtual [Still at] Home Run where participants get to pick a distance, the location and how they participate, which can be running, walking, biking,

swimming or even dancing to completion.

All proceeds will help Places for People, a local charity of Haliburton County that helps provide affordable housing. They not only help with creating and managing "secure quality housing in Haliburton County for low and moderate income level individuals," but also create the conditions for people to thrive.

There are five options for participation from the two-kilometre walk/run, a five-kilometre run, a seven-point-three kilometre run – also known as the Heritage run, matching the original run from Camp Onondaga to the Rockcliffe in Minden in 1971. There is also a 10-kilometre run, including a freestyle option that is dubbed the "ultimate non-run," which encourages participants to do whatever they want, whether it's a jump around your living room, walk around the block, bike in the woods, or swim across the lake.

The freestyle option is all about fun.

From the Highland Yard website: "We encourage you to have fun with it and be sure to share your freestyle 'runs' with us by using the #MYHYFREESTYLE hashtag on social media or email us at [info@highlandyard.ca](mailto:info@highlandyard.ca)

There is also a fundraiser option for those that want to contribute to the effort, but can't participate. Children 12 and under can register for any of the options for a reduced rate of \$30, including the freestyle and the two-kilometre distance for \$10.

Since 2010, Places for People has housed 19 families, including 30 adults and 54 children. Seven families have moved on. The next plan for Places for People is to build a multi-unit dwelling with one and two-bedroom units.

Registration closes on Saturday, July 31 at 11:59 p.m. Results from your participation must be submitted by Sunday, Aug. 1 at 11:59 p.m. Details on how to track and submit your time will be provided once you register.

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## Finding joy on Twelve Mile

Twelve-year-old Drey Cook of Haliburton can't contain his laughter while swimming, following an afternoon of sailing on Twelve Mile Lake, as part of the programming made possible through The Haliburton County Youth Sailing Association. The association, which always needs volunteers, teaches youth participants how to sail, but also provides an opportunity for social interaction and helps to empower them. Sailing experience is recommended. For more information email [mindoverwater2019@gmail.com](mailto:mindoverwater2019@gmail.com) or call (705) 455-2876. /DARREN LUM Staff

Twelve-year-old Drey Cook of Haliburton and Kaylee Haywood, 12, of Minden laugh while treading water after an afternoon of sailing on Twelve Mile Lake.



The Haliburton County Youth Sailing Association provides an opportunity for local young people to get out on the water. / Submitted by Robin Carmount



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# HKPR dealing with privacy breach involving 500 area residents

by **MIKE BAKER**  
*Times Staff*

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit [HKPRDHU] is looking into a privacy breach that saw approximately 500 individuals receive a fraudulent email relating to COVID-19 vaccine appointments last week.

In a release to media on Friday, July 23, the health unit says the email was sent to addresses people had provided when booking initial COVID-19 vaccine appointments several weeks ago.

The issue became apparent when individuals noticed the email was a part of a chain, where they could see the addresses of all of

the recipients.

“We take this issue very seriously and sincerely apologize for this incident,” said Dr. Natalie Bocking, HKPR medical officer of health. “We are reaching out to affected individuals and also working internally to ensure there is no repeat of this situation.”

It is not yet clear what the intent of the breach, or the subsequent email is.

The incident has been reported to the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario. HKPR is asking anyone who received these emails to delete them immediately, and not to forward them to any other person or party so as to not compound the breach.

Anyone who needs to contact HKPR can do so by emailing [info@hkpr.on.ca](mailto:info@hkpr.on.ca), or by calling 1-866-888-4577 ext. 5020.

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# Late-1950s Minden Monarchs achievements recognized by Hall of Fame

by **DARREN LUM**  
Times Staff

The Minden Monarchs of the late-1950s are going to be ceremoniously inducted into the Haliburton Highlands Hall of Fame this autumn. They join the the 1934 Haliburton Huskies and the 1971 Haliburton Huskies in the Hall of Fame's team category.

During much of the late-1950s, the Minden Monarchs Intermediate "C" team was a perennial hockey power house finishing as the Eastern Ontario Champions and the Ontario Intermediate "C" Finalists in 1956, 1957 and 1958.

They were the main draw for a loyal fan base that included several hundred people on any given night. At one regular season game in 1956, there were 815 people, who came to the Minden Community Centre where the former fire hall was across from the township office to see the Monarchs edge out the Bobcaygeon Bobcats 9-8 in a shootout. This kind of support was common, as fans from Minden and the surrounding area gathered every Saturday night for more than entertainment. It was an evening to come together and bask in the warmth and life of the community during the dead of winter. The fandom included a regular parade of vehicles that travelled south to opposing teams' arenas, which was so prolific that it was a major contributor to funding the construction of future arenas.

The 1956-1957 team roster included Jerry Gartlan, Max Richardson, Doug Powell, player coach, Gary Vasey, Glen Vasey, Hugh Vasey, Len Lonsberry, Stan Lonsberry, Don Campbell, Eston Watt, captain, Larry Lougheed, Norm Whitney and



The 1955-1956 Minden Monarchs were Ontario Intermediate C Ontario Hockey Association finalists. Back row, Garnet Lytle, manager, Mark Vasey, Hugh Vasey, Norm Whitney, Max Richardson, Aubrey Percival, Larry Lougheed, Gary Vasey, inset, Staff Yearwood. Front row, Harold Morgan, Claude Brown, Marcel Prier, Gerry Gartlan, Eston Watt, Bob Beeney, Lawrence Yearwood, Bill Walker. / Submitted by Roger Dart

Bob Beeney. The coaching staff included Powell, Mark Vasey and Garnet Lytle as managers, Bernie Trepanier, secretary-treasurer and Willis Walker, trainer. Other key players for the team from 1956 to 1958 were Claude Brown, Staff Yearwood, Lawrence

Yearwood, Marcel Prier, Gerry Gartlan and Neil Burke. There was also Aubrey Percival in 1955-1956.

The Vasey family were well represented. From the team's manager, Mark and an entire line of Vaseys, which included twin brothers,

Glen and Gary and the youngest Hugh, all in their 20s. They lived in a home on Anson Street, close to the bridge and walking distance to the arena.

Son to Gary, grandson to Mark and nephew to Glen and Hugh, Ted wasn't told much about the team from his family. What little he learned came from what he heard from others, such as the older hockey fans in Bobcaygeon while he was playing junior intermediate C hockey as a young man.

"You go upstairs for a beer after a home game and the place was packed for a little town and a lot of the old timers would come up to me and said those Minden teams built our arena ... They were just hanging from the rafters down in Bobcaygeon," he said. "It made Bobcaygeon a lot of money. That's one of the stories I remember being told. Only because I played down there."

This was the era, he adds, when skilled hockey players were promised employment with a hydro job in Minden, if they came to play hockey with the Monarchs. This included his uncle Glen. He thought some credit for getting the players on the team and employed in the area was owed to his grandfather.

He adds his father was known well for his hockey skills and was rewarded for his play.

"I heard a lot of compliments about my dad because obviously my dad got picked up and played senior A. He was semi-pro. It was like the NHL almost, you know? So, I got a lot of compliments about what type of player my dad was and his brothers and the whole team. I definitely got a lot of compliments about my dad," he said.

Ted adds his father was recruited to play

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# Musician to play at Dominion Hotel in August

by **GRACE OBORNE**  
Times Staff

Gordie Tentrees is set out to perform at the Dominion Hotel, in Minden, on August 5.

Tentrees has been a musician for about 15 years. He grew up in a family of writers and was encouraged to write down most of what he thought about. Then he moved to the Yukon, from Ontario, at 23 years old and has been surrounded by music since then.

"When I moved to the Yukon 23 years ago, I was surrounded by a bunch of people that were playing music," said Tentrees. "After dinner, it was very common to clear the table and pick up an instrument. I started writing songs as well. I grew up in a family of writers, so it was common in my house to write everything we wanted to say down. It was a calming thing to do, to grab a pen and paper and write everything down."

Tentrees has performed at Dominion Hotel multiple times over the last decade or so, "I've always come back to the area, I grew up there," he noted.

"The folks at the Dominion, they've always had concerts, and have always let me come there and play. I've just been thinking that I should do it again because things are opening up. I've got a new record that I haven't played there yet, so I'm excited about it."

Tentrees' own life events, or the lives of others, is what inspires his music, "If I can write about something that's affected me or happened to me personally, or something that's happened around me through another person that I know, or an event, then that's something I can get behind to sing," said Tentrees.

Tentrees' style of music is what he calls "Yukon roots music." It stretches anywhere from country to blues. "To me, my music is a reflection of the music that is around me a lot. That goes from country to blues, and everything in between. Country folk, bluegrass, blues. Every kind of blues, whether that's country blues, but I'd say there's a folk storytelling element to it as well. There's definitely a performance element to it. No show is the same," he said.

He is putting out his eighth record in September and recalls the many memories he has made from producing records and travelling to perform them.

"Every record you put out, you tour for about two years, so

I think my favourite memory, honestly, has been travelling."

"It's an amazing experience to show up and everyone's just really happy to see you and is really nice to you. Then you leave to go to a different country or community and the same thing happens again. I've always wanted to travel everywhere, and I have bucket list of places I want to play music. Music has allowed me to do that," he added.

As his concert date nears, Tentrees is built up with excitement. He looks forward to sharing his love for music with an audience once again.

"They're going to hear a lot of songs that they haven't heard in a while. They haven't seen me in about three years, and since then I've put out two records. It is going to be fun for me and fun for them to hear my new material," said Tentrees.

Tentrees looks forward to sharing his music with the people of Haliburton County, "I'll probably be more excited than the audience. They might have to peel me off the stage because I'll just want to continue performing."

To learn more about Gordie Tentrees and his work, visit [www.tentrees.ca/](http://www.tentrees.ca/), or to buy tickets for his upcoming concerts, visit [www.tentrees.ca/tour](http://www.tentrees.ca/tour).

Yukon-based and Ontario-raised, folk artist Gordie Tentrees will perform at the Dominion Hotel, in Minden, on Aug. 5. / Image by Paolo Corradeghini.



## Monarchs inducted into hall of fame

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for Bradford, which was sponsored by Brad's Fords. The owner of the team was Brad Walker, who owned the Ford car dealership in Bradford. He said he was three years old when he left Minden with his father following the 1957-58 championship loss to Bradford. Through the team, his father was offered a teaching job at Archie Stouffer Elementary School and a house in Bradford.

"It was kind of a way to pay the players in those days," he said.

Haliburton Highlands Museum curator Steve Hill notes how being a championship finalist to larger centres such as Beeton, Aurora and Bradford was a victory, considering how much larger those communities were when compared to Minden. The Monarchs were a strong competitive team and actually extended the series by two games against Beeton in 1955 to 1956 before losing, and then pushed Aurora to overtime in the seventh game of the best of seven series.

He didn't know much about this era of Monarchs history, but read from the 1859 to 1959 Minden Centennial Book.

"With the formation of an Ontario Hockey Association C group in the district, it gave Minden the chance to play against towns in a lower populated bracket and four years of this competition saw that they reached the Ontario finals on three occasions only to be runners up, which to this day stands as a record in the OHA manual in losing to Beeton, Aurora and Bradford."

If anyone in the public has more anecdotes to share about the team, please submit ([darren@haliburtonopress.com](mailto:darren@haliburtonopress.com)) or phone (705) 457-1037 ext. 38.

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# Highlands is frontline for invasive snails

by **DARREN LUM**  
*Times Staff*

Earlier this month, a large find of 150 kilograms of dead banded mystery snails in Haliburton grabbed national headlines.

The recent find didn't make aquatic program specialist Brook Schryer with the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters any more concerned than he already was about invasive snails such as the Chinese Mystery Snail or the Banded Mystery Snail.

Schryer, who has years of experience dealing with invasive species, said the recent media attention about the snails is a good thing, even if it's just indicative of a life cycle for the snails.

"It's good to see that this is picking up a little bit. Banded Mystery Snails have been in Canada for quite some time and in Ontario for quite some time and they're actually intentionally introduced, [I suspect] from the aquarium trade. Basically decades ago [they] were introduced to the Great Lakes and have spread inland and they do go through these cycles. They go through these cycles where you have these larger die-offs and often times it just coincides with essentially, the expiration date of the snail," he said.

The lifespan for a snail is three to four years and spring is when they typically die.

As far as this recent find goes and explaining how the snails may have died, Schryer wasn't sure.

"It could have to do with the temperatures

of the water. It could have to do with the water chemistry. It could just have to do with the fact three or four years ago there was a huge surge of Banded Mystery Snails and just so happens we're seeing the end of that life cycle for those snails," he said. "I wouldn't say this year isn't any worse, or better than prior years."

Schryer has been leading a local group of close to 300 passionate volunteers in the Highlands with the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Associations mystery snail project, who have been trained to identify, collect and aim to decrease mystery snails in the county's lakes. Under the Federal fisheries act, snails are classified as crustaceans and fish, so removing them from the water requires a scientific collector's permit through the Ministry of Northern Development Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry, formerly the MNRF, Schryer said.

While he holds the permit, he has close to 300 licensees for the participants to be trained and permitted to photograph, identify, and confirm the invasive species and then euthanize and remove. It's considered the most ever permitted by the ministry.

"I heard from one gentleman that he had removed close to 19,000 snails. And that's only one out of close to 300 volunteers. By the end of it, I don't want to exaggerate or give unrealistic numbers, but we could very well be in the 50,000 snail range, being removed from our waters ... It's not just the impact on the environment and the native species, but

it's also societal impact from not being able to enjoy your beachfront, not being able to go swimming, not really being able to recreate as you would prior to these snails being there," he said. "So what this does it empowers the people in that region to be able to not only know what they're looking at, but then to legally remove them, discard them, so they can actually try to stay on top of the problem that is appearing on their shorelines."

He believes the growth trend will continue and more pics of the unsightly species, which emits a stench when deceased, will be posted and gain more attention.

"I've been receiving reports of invasive species for five plus years now as the aquatic program specialist with the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters and I've seen pictures that are similar to pictures getting media attention in the past. I've seen people report hundreds and thousands of dead snails on their shore, year after year because, as you can imagine, every single year there's going to be an accumulation of snails, which have reached their end of life and who die off," he said.

The collection effort is also supposed to reduce the impact to native snails such as the brown mystery snail or the giant pond snail.

Although the invasive snails have been here for more than 100 years, their presence has taken time for the public to notice, which is consistent with other invasive species.

"I just don't think that snails have that appearance that kind of flips that switch in somebody's head, right? They're not like the giant hog weed of the world where you see it and go, 'Wow, what is that? When you see snails, most people just think, 'Oh, they must be native. Or they must be native to this

area.' You just don't normally get people complaining about snails, so this year ... what we tried to do was raise that profile and really bring it to the attention of the people of Haliburton."

Also, the invasive snails have the ability to grow exponentially, giving them a competitive advantage over other snails.

Typical snails are hermaphroditic and can self-propagate, but the mystery snails have males and females, who can give birth to live snails. Snails usually lay eggs, which can be vulnerable to predators, he said.

"You're skipping a life stage, which is most vulnerable, so all of a sudden they have a huge competitive advantage. And that's why they're called mystery snails. You'd have one snail and then all of a sudden you'd have 100 snails, like where did all these snails come from?"

This reproduction also keeps them somewhat ahead of being affected by being consumed by animals and being removed by people.

He characterizes the Highlands as the "frontline" in the battle against the invasive snails, who have been moving north.

The collection program is not just good for now, but for the future.

"We want the people there to not only help us with mapping, and tracking and understanding which water bodies have them and which don't, but also provide them the tools to hopefully work towards management and maybe in some circumstances maybe in an ideal world, eradication," he said. "It's not very likely, but, hey, something is happening."

He adds one of the issues for the public

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# Invasive species multiplying in area

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with invasive species is apathy and ignorance.

He wants the public in general to care about learning and develop a sense of what they can do to help reduce the spread of all kinds of invasive species.

This can be as simple as cleaning your boat before moving it from one lake to another.

Action is integral for change, but it's also an important attitude to have.

"When people take action that's when, yeah, maybe it's in futility, but it doesn't matter because we're getting people involved, getting engaged and actually working towards the betterment of our environment and reducing the impact of invasive species," he said.

Among the passionate volunteers includes Kent Rundle, a coordinator for the volunteers on Horseshoe Lake. He knows the area from having spent his summers growing up on Horseshoe Lake at his grandparents' cottage, which his parents inherited. Rundle is familiar with aquatic restoration through his day job.

"I've seen the impact that invasive species has had on other areas down in southern Ontario. So, when this became an issue, and they were looking for people to support, I said I would help out," he said.

With a young family, he admits not being able to come up to the area very often the last two years. However, he has provided administrative duties, including a few days of field work recently for the collection project.

Rundle also coordinates the data that is collected, which includes where, what types, and how many snails there are.

"Most reports that I'm getting from people are upwards of 80 collected on a collection day for a fairly small area of shoreline. That would be like 30 metres of shoreline," he said.

He has worked towards combating invasive species before,



This spring and summer there have been close to 300 volunteers in the Highlands, who have been busy identifying, documenting and removing invasive snails from lakes such as the Banded Mystery Snails, as seen at 12 Mile Lake. The Highlands is considered to be the on frontline in the battle against invasive snail species. Photo by J. Graham

but this time it's in his virtual backyard.

"At parts of the lake, it's surprising to see how quickly they've taken hold," he said.

Schryer said the public needs to be educated about invasive species in terms of singling out a group of people. Names

like the Chinese Mystery Snail or the Gypsy moth - the use of Gypsy is pejorative (Brittanica) for Romani people - can be problematic.

There is a move to use names for invasive species so the public, who are unaware of the origin of certain invasive species, don't jump to conclusions about blaming a particular ethnic group

He doesn't know if invasive species from North America found in China are named something like the American snail, but acknowledges there are invasive species from the U.S. here that don't have names referencing their place of origin.


"Chinese Mystery Snail native to China. Banded Mystery Snail is native to the southern United States. Native to Florida, Georgia those regions. Why didn't they call it the American snail? You know?" he said. He imagines the thought process was let's 'Call that one the Chinese and call this one, ah, yeah, the Banded.'

Unlike some of the scientific Latin names of species that include a place of origin such as the Chinese Mystery Snail, there isn't always a choice for people in the invasive field.

"From our perspective, we have to work within the scientific and the given names of these species, so often times we don't have a choice. And it just so happens when you think of Chinese Mystery Snails, the Cipangopaludina chinensis [malleata] China is almost in the Latin name," he said.

He adds there is an effort when possible to get away from given names of species such as the Gypsy moth and use the more accurate acronym of its Latin name, Lymantria dispar dispar, so LDD.

"It's something that's taken some time, but we're getting there," he said. "A lot of these species were named in the early-1900s or early to mid-1900s and before you and I were born. We're just dealing with the repercussions and left over racism of an earlier generation."



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Dated: July 28th, 2021

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Lovingly remembered by her brother Larry (Lisa) and by her nephew Jeremy (Krista). Carole is predeceased  
by her parents Lewis and Laurel Tompkins, by her brother Dean, by her niece Jenna, by her mother-in-law  
Anne Peeling and by her brother-in-law Jack Peeling.

Carole was the glue to our family, a rock for her husband, a caring sister and loving person to all that new her.  
Carole loved being surrounded by family and friends whether on the beach at the cottage, or in her travels to  
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A Graveside Interment Service to Celebrate Carole's Life will be held at the Twelve Mile Lake Cemetery,  
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Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services  
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## No changes needed to county government

Haliburton County municipalities are generally satisfied with the present for of county government here and few recommendations were suggested to the

Advisory Committee on County Government during its hearings in Peterborough last week.

County Clerk Gary McKnight told the com-

mittee that the present functions and responsibilities of Haliburton County Council are satisfactory and individual municipalities would likely oppose their widespread change to the system.

"I feel that everything is going pretty good," McKnight told the committee last Wednesday at the Peterborough County Courthouse. The services provided by the county are adequate, he said.

In mid - February, Bernard Grandmaitre, Minister of Municipal Affairs, formed the advisory committee to study the structure and responsibilities of county government in Ontario. The study, in response to changing conditions throughout the province, will investigate the need to revamp the county level of government.

The focus of the study will be on representation, including the present exclusion of mayors from the county seat; multiple voting systems; eligibility for multiple representatives and substitutions. It will also address council size, methods of choosing a Warden, and functions of county government.

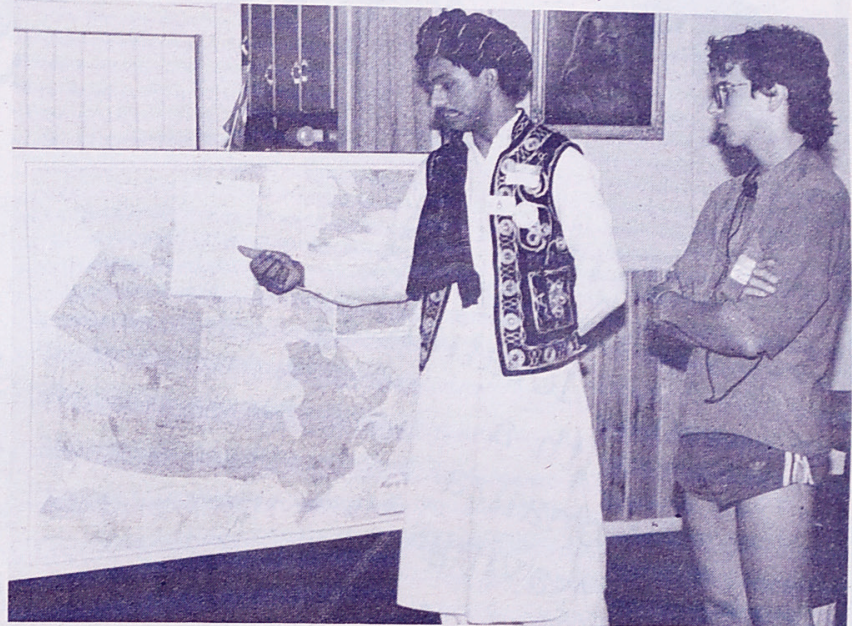
Representation on Haliburton County Council does not presently pose a

(more on page 13)



## Kid's carnival

Children at Minden's CHACE daycare centre were having a great time on Thursday during a fun carnival at the centre. Shown above, Hannah-Joy Forsyth sets the wheel in motion at the Wheel of Fortune game. To the right, Melissa and Keri Hartwick and Rich and Andy Kinsman put their heads together to guess how many jelly beans are in the jar.



Salahuddin Mehtab, one of the Canada World Youth Exchange participants from Pakistan, points to a small map of his country to indicate where his home is, during a welcoming reception at the Haliburton United Church Wednesday afternoon. Also shown here is Mehtab's Canadian counterpart Scott Booth.

## World youth arrive

After a long bus ride from Orangeville, 14 young "residents of the world" arrived at the Haliburton United Church, where a small reception was staged to greet the visitors.

The 14 youths, seven from across Canada and their counterparts from various

counterparts from various locations in Pakistan, are participants in the Canada World Youth exchange program, and will be

billeting with Haliburton families for the next three and a half months.

Obviously drained from the long, hot bus ride, the participants were treated to some cool drinks in the church basement before being officially greeted by the community. On hand to welcome the participants were Haliburton County Warden Murray Fearrey, Evelyn Flemming from the Order of the Eastern Star, Reverend Crighton and

Gerry Feltham.

Their arrival in Haliburton marks the start of a seven-month exchange designed to promote better understanding of other cultures. Following their stay here, the contingent will travel to Pakistan for another three and a half months.

The seven Canadian participants were selected from across the country by (more on page 19)



## Stanhope Fun Day

Bagpipes were just one of the many interesting things to see at Saturday's Stanhope Fun Day. For a look at some of the other events, please turn to page six.

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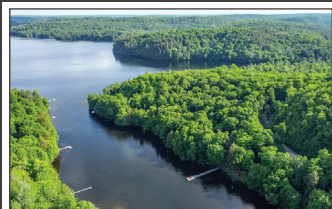


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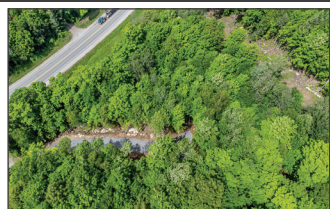
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